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FIRST DIVISION

WEST BROMWICH ALBION

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On the ball with the Manager



This has been quite a traumatic week for Bolton Wanderers in several ways.

We suffered a real blow when my assistant manager George Mulhall decided to leave us to join Bradford City as manager.

The previous week he turned down an offer from Bradford and I thought that was the end of the matter.

It was only when City came back with an improved offer that he decided to go.

I rate George just as highly as any of my first team players and his reading of the game and his grasp of tactics are second to none.

I feel we have achieved a great deal together and I am sorry to see the partnership come to an end.

Once again we were badly hit by an injury at the weekend when the hoodoo struck yet again at Bristol City. Tony Dunne who seemed to take an ordinary sort of fall was stretchered from the field with a dislocated shoulder.

Front page picture

Coventry keeper Les Sealey is covered by team-mate Keith Osgood as he safely gathers the ball as Bolton's Alan Gowling rushes in, an incident in the last home match two weeks ago.

Picture by Bolton Evening News

The absence of Paul Jones through a facial injury didn't help and during the game Peter Reid twisted a knee and has needed treatment this week.

The defeat at Bristol was very disappointing. I had said before the game that our away form this season has been appalling and we have worked hard to try to put things right.

It looked as if we had started to come good at last when Mike Walsh scored an early goal at Ashton Gate but things didn't work out as we had hoped.

Today we take on West Brom who gave us a real mauling at the Hawthorns earlier this season, we will be going all out to set things straight.

Because West Brom are in Europe next week, we have agreed to postpone Tuesday's Central League game at Burnden.

**Cut
out
and
retain**



Welcome to . . .

It seemed, even before the start of the season, that West Bromwich fans would be in for an exciting season. The club was back in European football for the first time in ten years, and — if they could just maintain the sort of form shown in the latter stages of last season — the Throstles could be expected to make a bid for the League Championship.

If anything, the Throstles have even exceeded their pre-season promise! For today they are in with an excellent chance of winning the League Championship and they are through to the third round of the UEFA Cup.

They opened strongly with three successive wins and we experienced their power when we went down 4-0 at The Hawthorns in August. They were beaten only twice in their first 13 League games and last weekend stood very proudly, just four points behind leaders Liverpool.

West Bromwich were, in fact, the first team to take a point from Liverpool this season when they drew 1-1 at The Hawthorns in September.

Their only major set-back was their early departure from the League Cup. After two drawn games, they were beaten by Leeds in a second round play-off.

In the UEFA Cup they have put two fine wins behind them, disposing of Galatasaray (Turkey) 6-2 on aggregate and Sporting Braga (Portugal) 3-0. Now they face a tough tie against Spanish club Valencia.

Manager Ron Atkinson has been fortunate in steering clear of any serious injuries so he has been able to field a virtually unchanged team for most of the season.

A feature of their play has been the exciting, attacking skills of their coloured forwards Cyrille Regis and Laurie Cunningham who have hit 11 and nine goals respectively.

The third forward in a usual 4-3-3 formation has been Allie Brown who has scored four times so far.

There has been speculation over the future of Scottish international winger Willie Johnston since his unfortunate experiences in Argentina last summer. After that he felt he might like to return to Scotland, but Mr. Atkinson persuaded him to stay. Willie came back into the side for a few games but later dropped out again.

Tony Brown, Len Cantello and Brian Robson are the usual midfield trio though John Trewick is ever ready to come in when necessary.

The defence, at full strength, has Brendan Batson, John Wile, Alistair Robertson and Derek Statham in the back four.

The recent arrival of Goalkeeper David Stewart, signed from Leeds for £70,000, will act as a spur for Tony Godden who has been holding the position for the past 18 months.

It's a long while since West Bromwich won the League title, back in 1920 in fact. They have always been far more successful as a Cup team, winning the F.A. Cup five times in ten Final appearances and the League Cup once in three Finals.

The club was formed in 1879 and became one of the original members of the Football League in 1888. That

WEST BROMWICH ALBION



Back Row, left to right: George Wright (physiotherapist), Paddy Mulligan, Tony Godden
Wayne Hughes, Brian Whitehouse (coach)

Middle Row: Cyrille Regis, Mick Martin, Alistair Brown, Laurie Cunningham, Bryan Robson
Tony Brown.

Front Row: Derek Statham, John Trewick, Alistair Robertson, John Wile, Ron Atkinson
(manager), Colin Addison (assistant manager), Brendon Batson, Willie Johnston.

was their only League Championship in 1920 but they have twice finished runners-up and twice been champions of Division Two.

The Throstles have lost only one away League game this season, at Derby (2-3). They won at Q.P.R. (1-0), Chelsea (3-1) and Leeds (3-1) and drew at Nottingham Forest (0-0) and Manchester City (2-2).

The last time they qualified for Europe, in 1968/69, they reached the quarter-final of the Cup-Winners Cup and were beaten only 1-2 on aggregate by the eventual winners Slovan Bratislava. Their only previous appearance in a European competition was two years earlier when they were well beaten in the third round of the UEFA Cup by Bologna.

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TONY GODDEN (Goalkeeper). Former Gillingham player who joined Albion for £2,000 from Ashford Town in August 1975. A six-footer, he made his senior debut v. Tottenham (away) in March 1977.

BRENDON BATSON (Defender). Manager Ron Atkinson signed Batson from Cambridge United in February 1978. The West Indian began his career with Arsenal before moving to Cambridge in 1973 where his consistent displays in the No. 2 shirt made him such a popular player. A fine utility defender, Brendan can also perform as a central defender.

JOHN TREWICK (Midfield). John comes from Bedlington in the North-East. He has become a regular in Albion's midfield and has already shown a lot of talent. A former Schools and Youth International, he became a professional with Albion in July 1974 just after his 17th birthday.

TONY BROWN (Midfield). Current holder of Albion's League appearances record which is over 520 at the end of the 1977/78 season. He is all set to break the club record of 208 goals which was set between 1950 and 1961. An Albion player since 1961, the 'Bomber' as he is appropriately nicknamed — made his senior debut in 1963 at Ipswich when he scored in a 2-1 win. He played and scored in the 1966 League Cup Final, was on the losing sides of 1967 and 1970 and collected an F.A. Cup Winners medal in 1968.

JOHN WILE (Defender). John who originates from Sherburn, is the Club captain. He began his career with Sunderland as an apprentice but then moved to Peterborough where he made over 100 appearances before moving to the Albion in December 1970.

ALISTAIR ROBERTSON (Defender). Alistair comes from Philipstoun in Scotland and is Wile's defensive partner. He made his debut for Albion versus Manchester United in October 1969 and is a strong, skilful defender who gives 100 per cent. effort.

BRYAN ROBSON (Defender). The youngster from the North-East who had the misfortune to break his leg three times in the 1976-77 season — twice while playing for the first eleven. He was under the watchful eye of the England selectors at the time of his first break and could not then be considered. He can play either at full-back, in midfield or in attack. Bryan is a former Youth international.

ALISTAIR BROWN (Forward). Alistair comes from Musselburgh in Scotland and played in over 100 games for Leicester City before joining Albion in March 1972. A versatile performer, Ally has donned every shirt from seven to eleven and puts everything he has got into each performance.

CYRILLE REGIS (Forward). A strong, purposeful centre-forward who signed for Albion from Hayes in May 1977. Cyrille's selection for England under-21 squad is just reward for the rapid progress he has made.

LEN CANTELLO (Defender). Len comes from Newton Heath in Lancashire and joined Albion from school in 1967. He played in the 1970 League Cup Final and all told, has filled eight different positions in Albion's ranks. Len has spent the summer of '78 playing for Dallas Tornados in the American League.

LAURIE CUNNINGHAM (Forward). After his transfer to Albion from Orient in March 1977, Laurie became the first coloured player to wear an England shirt in a major game and capped his selection by scoring the game's only goal versus Scotland under 21's at Sheffield. A Londoner, Laurie can perform equally well on the wing or down the middle.

WILLIE JOHNSTON (Forward). Willie was born in Glasgow in 1946. He played in over 250 games for Rangers and scored 100 goals before joining Albion in December 1972. He is one of only a handful of players to have scored a hat-trick of penalties in one match — this he did for Rangers when he came on as a substitute versus St. Johnstone. He has been capped for Scotland on several occasions.

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Ryan (Norwich)	9	2	11
Worthington (Bolton)	9	2	11
Buckley (B'ham) (8 for Walsall)	7	3	10
Dalglish (L'pool)	10	0	10
Owen (Man. City)	6	2	8
Regis (W.B.A.)	8	0	8
Stapleton (Arsenal)	7	1	8

DIVISION TWO

Robson (West Ham)	12	1	13
Stein (Luton)	8	3	11
Biley (C'bridge)	8	1	9
Bruce (Preston)	6	3	9
Randall (Bristol R.)	9	0	9
Rowell (Sunderland)	9	0	9

Reserves hit form...

The tremendous amount of hard work being done at the club's junior levels has started to pay off with the reserves team stringing together five games in succession without defeat.

It must be remembered that the current Central League side is one of the youngest ever fielded by the club, and part of the reason for this is the number of calls that have been made because of first team injuries.

The run started with a 1-1 home draw against Leeds United followed by a similar scoreline at Manchester City.

Then came a 2-1 home win over Sheffield Wednesday followed by an incredible game at Coventry City which our lads won 6-5.

On Saturday a home 2-2 draw against Stoke City was a game the young Wanderers were unfortunate not to win.

Big welcome for Nat

Welcome back to Burnden Park Nat Lofthouse. The former England International centre forward, Wanderers former coach and manager has taken up a newly created appointment as manager of the Executive club.

His duties will involve being in charge of all aspects of the Executive club with his aim to increase its popularity and bring in more functions so that it is used as much as possible.

One of the first functions he will be in charge of is a Sportsman's Dinner to be held in the club on Monday, December 4th when Bobby Charlton and Alex Murphy will be guest speakers. Tickets are on sale at the Promotions Office at £10.

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

Division One

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Port Vale Res.	12	9	3	0	29	8	21
Oldham Ath. Res. ...	13	10	1	2	30	15	21
Man. Utd. Res.	11	9	0	2	25	6	18
Liverpool 'A'	13	8	2	3	32	17	18
Chester 'A'	13	8	3	2	23	15	19
T'mere Ryrs. Res. ...	12	5	6	1	22	15	16
Everton 'A'	12	6	3	3	21	11	15
Wigan Ath. Res. ...	12	5	4	3	26	13	14
Man. City 'A'	12	6	1	5	20	13	13
Carlisle U. Res.	13	4	3	6	16	22	11
Wrexham Res.	12	5	1	6	21	25	11
Morecambe Res. ...	12	3	4	5	17	24	10
Rochdale Res.	10	4	1	5	16	18	9
B'ford C. Res.	13	4	1	8	19	29	9
Bolton W. 'B'	13	4	1	8	9	20	9
Blackpool 'A'	12	4	0	8	19	20	8
Southport Res.	11	2	3	6	9	19	7
M'field T. Res.	12	2	2	8	18	34	6
Stockport C. 'A'	11	1	3	7	11	30	5
Crewe Alex. 'A'	13	0	2	11	11	39	2

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Information on how to obtain the refund will be given in next week's programme and in the local press.

Albion in the North

Fans of West Brom who are at today's game might like to know there is a Northern branch of their Supporters' Club.

Their aims are to organise travel to games and social events and anyone interested should contact either Paul Evans, 2 Central Place, Clayton, Bradford, West Yorks, tel. Bradford 816366 or Neil Wrigley, 4 Oldfield Road, Sale, Manchester, tel. 061-969 4497.

Your Letters

I have a small collection of Wanderers home and away programmes for sale. The home programmes are mainly between 1954 and 1960. Anyone interested can contact me for more information. — A. Trucca, 7 Waterside, Hadfield, Hyde, Cheshire.

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I wish to inform all Bolton Wanderers' fans of a programme collectors' fair I am organising.

This is to be held at the Grand Hotel, Dorning Street, Wigan tomorrow starting at 10-30 a.m. Admission is 20p for adults and 15p for children under 16. The fair should be of interest to all Wanderers collectors as many Bolton programmes past and present will be available.

Other clubs' programmes will also be on show from only a few pence to many pounds for older and rarer issues. — David Clarke, 36 Lawns Avenue, Orrell, Wigan.

Letters intended for publication in the B.W.F.C. programme should be addressed to The Programme Editor, Bolton Wanderers F.C., Burnden Park, Manchester Road, Bolton.

So near and yet so far....



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Coventry City defenders Gillespie (No. 6), McDonald (centre) and goalkeeper Sealey look on anxiously as a shot from Peter Reid (in picture) looks goalbound in the last home match at Burnden. Unfortunately for Wanderers, it shaved past the post, yet another case of so near and yet so far in a goal-less draw.

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3. If the player taking the kick plays the ball a second time without its being touched by another player, what action should the referee take?

4. If at the same time as the referee blows his whistle to award a penalty kick, normal time expires, would he permit the kick to be taken?

5. May a goalkeeper be replaced by a colleague for the taking of a penalty kick?

PART TWO

1. Which club plays at the Fethams Ground?

2. What is the name of Oxford United's ground?

3. Name the two League clubs ex-Liverpool manager Bill Shankly played for.

4. Did Blackpool and England centre-forward Stan Mortensen play for Hull City?

5. With which League club did Len Shackleton start his career before moving on to Newcastle and then Sunderland?



NAME THE VISITOR

Quiz Answers

Name the visitor: Len Cantello

PART TWO — 1. Darlington. 2. Manor Ground, Headington. 3. Carlisle United and Preston North End. 4. Yes. 5. Bradford Park Avenue.

PART ONE — 1. The goalkeeper must stand without moving his feet on his own goal line between the goal posts until the ball is kicked. 2. No. The ball must be kicked forward. If not, the kick must be retaken. 3. The referee shall stop play and restart the game with an indirect free kick to the opposing side from the place where the infringement occurred. 4. He must extend the time of play at half time or full time to allow the penalty kick to be taken. 5. Yes. Any player may change places with the goalkeeper at any time when there is a stoppage in the game provided the referee is advised.

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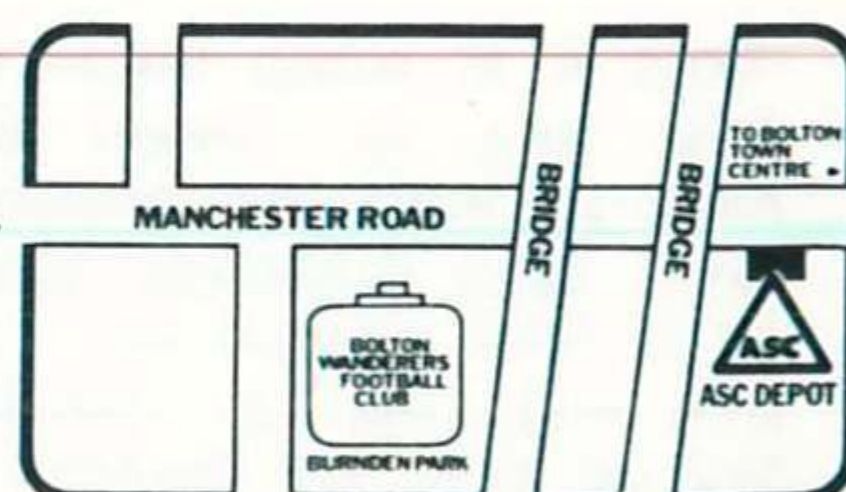
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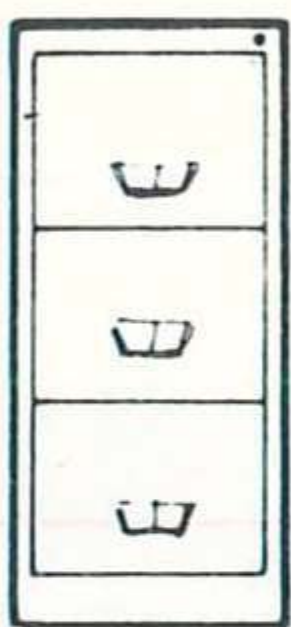
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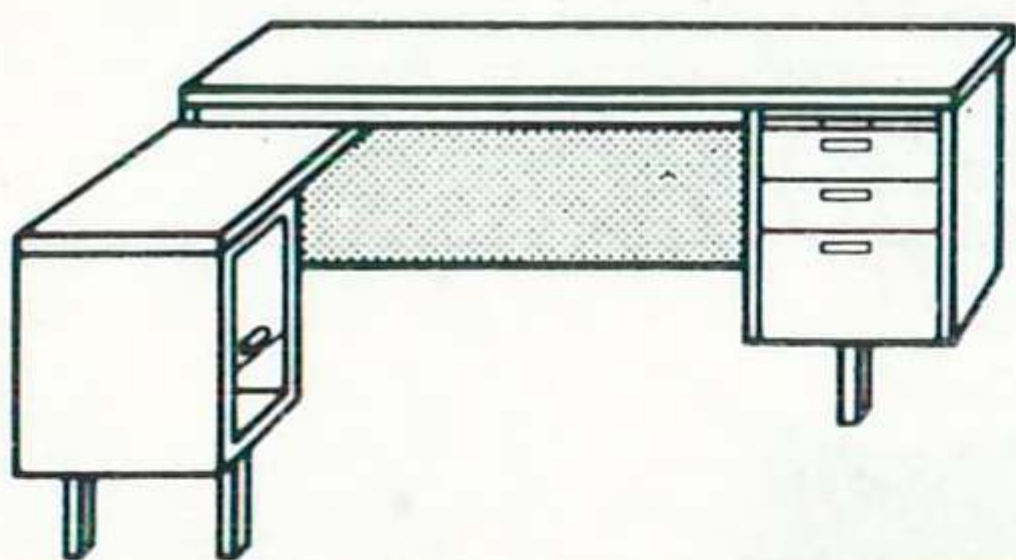
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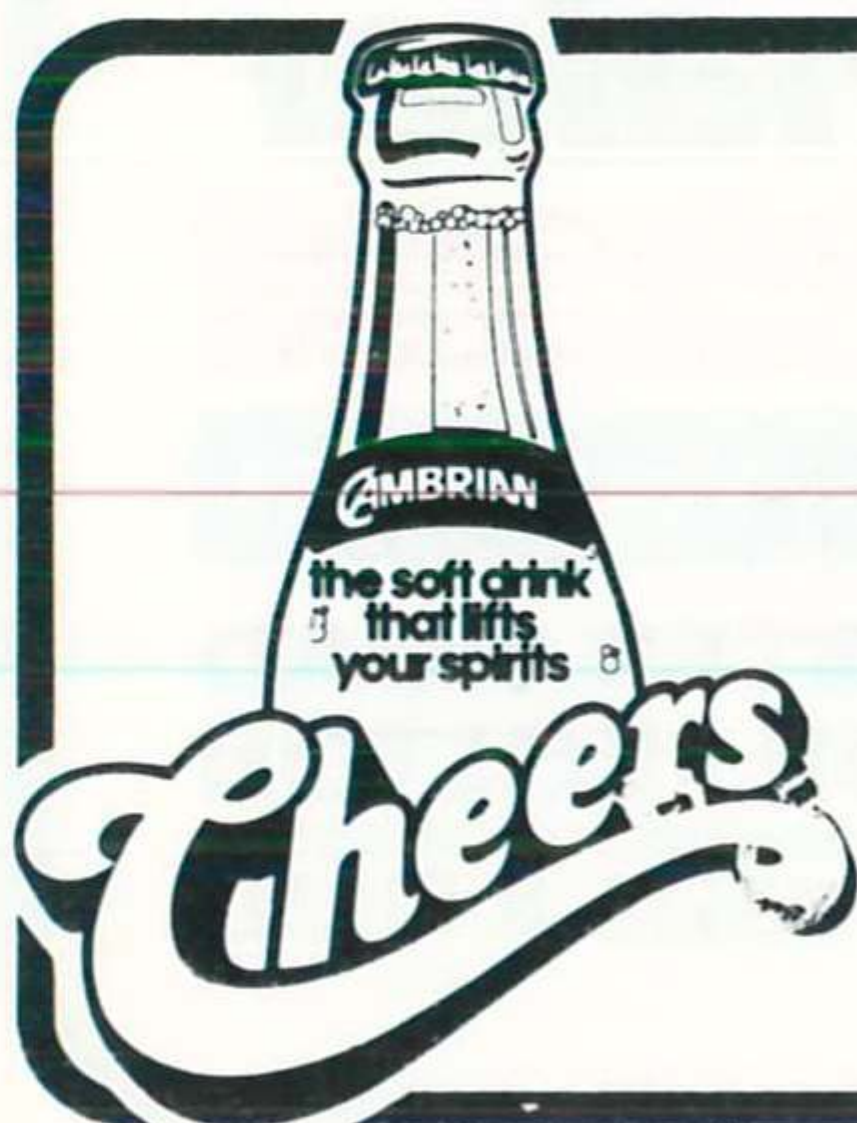
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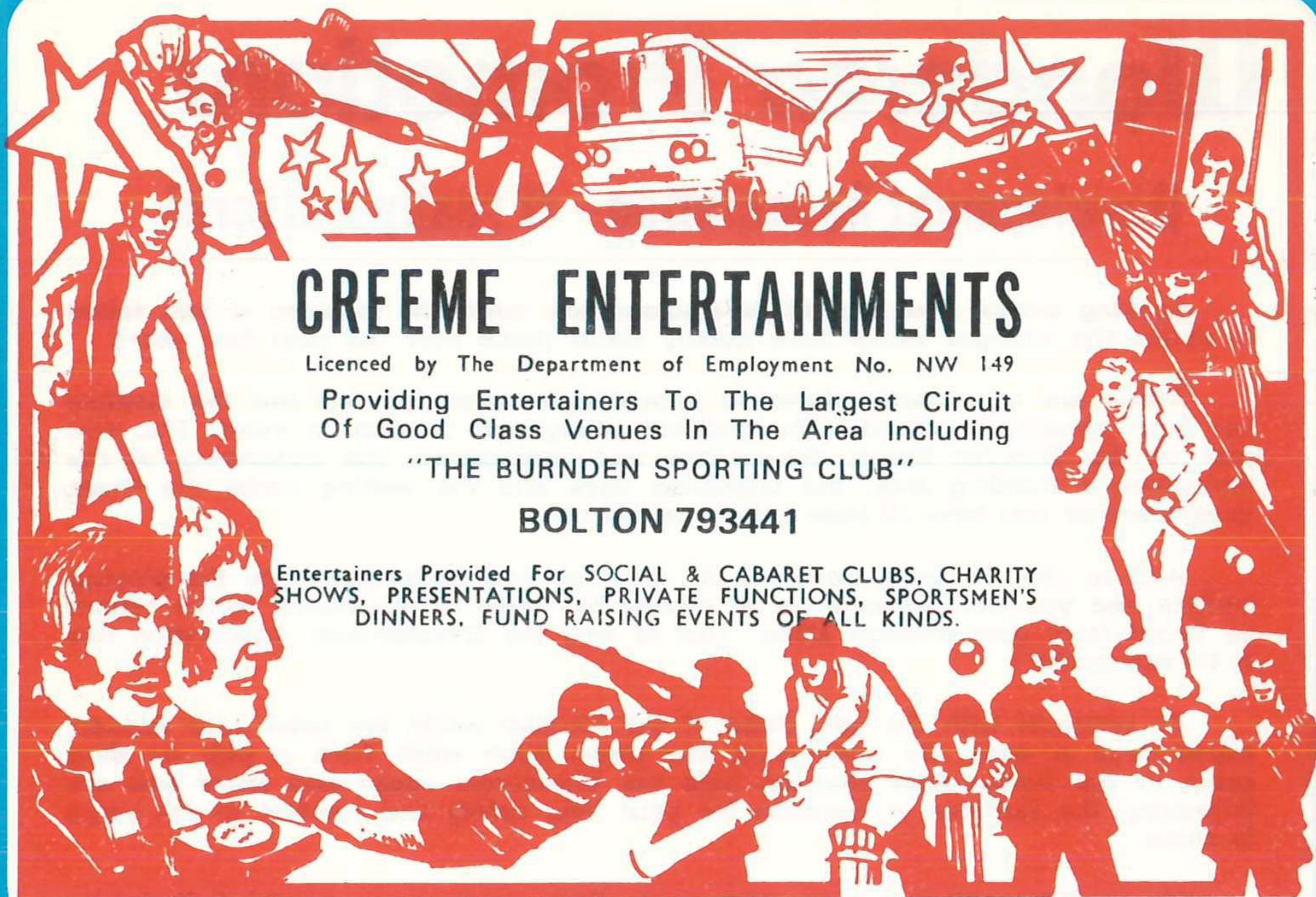
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Leave M6 at Aston Expressway (A38(M)) and continue with Expressway to first exit (Dartmouth Circus).

Turn left into Dartmouth Street continuing straight on into Lawley Street.

At end of Lawley Street continue ahead into Watery Lane at the end of which you turn left onto the Coventry Road (A45). Fork left off Coventry Road into Cattell Road (A47). The ground is on the left.

BWFC Official Travel Club

BIRMINGHAM – TUESDAY, 21st. NOVEMBER, League Division One. Kickoff 7.30 p.m.

Coach departs Burnden 4.30 p.m. Price £2.20.

Anyone wishing to travel to away games as members of the official travel club must submit a passport-sized photo with 50p to the Promotions Office for membership.

This entitles them to travel on coaches or trains organised by Bolton Wanderers and supervised by official stewards. Members are advised to book early as membership does not guarantee a seat.

Fans will be notified of forthcoming trips in the programme and bookings can be made at the Promotions Office.

Meet the Referee...

HACKETT, KEITH S. (Sheffield). Commenced refereeing in 1960 in Sheffield and then via the Yorkshire and Northern Premier Leagues progressed to the Football League line and full list. Has refereed in Northern Premier Cup Finals, and lined the 1975 Boys' Club Final at Wembley. Also lined for the Finland v. Iceland game in 1976. Refereed the 1978 Debenhams Cup match.

Married, and with two sons he is Sales Manager for a sliding door gear manufacturer, and his interests are gardening, caravanning and walking.

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CAPITALS denotes home games

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		Pts	A	F	
Aug.	19 Stoke City	0	1	0	
"	22 PRESTON	3	0	2	
"	26 NEWCASTLE U.	0	3	2	
"	30 "				
Sept.	2 West Brom A.	0	6	2	
"	16 DERBY COUNTY	1	1	3	
"	19 Wolves	1	5	3	
"	23 Blackpool	4	0	5	
"	26 Burnley	0	2	5	
"	30 LIVERPOOL	2	5	5	
Oct.	4 "				
"	7 Blackburn Rovers	0	2	12	
"	14 LEEDS UNITED	1	1	6	
"	21 Man City	1	1	7	
"	28 SHEFF. WED.	2	1	9	
Nov.	4 Coventry City	6	5	11	
"	8 "				
"	11 STOKE CITY	2	2		
"	18 Newcastle Utd.				
Dec.	25 Aston Villa				
"	2 BURY				
"	9 Nottingham F.				
"	13 EVERTON				
"	16 Huddersfield T.				
"	23 SHEFF. UTD.				
"	26 MAN. UTD.				
"	30 "				
Jan.	1 "				
"	6 BURNLEY				
"	13 Derby County				
"	17 "				
"	20 BLACKPOOL				
"	24 Liverpool				
"	27 BLACKBURN				
Feb.	3 Leeds United				
"	10 MAN CITY				
"	17 Sheffield Wed.				
Mar.	3 COVENTRY CITY				
"	10 PRESTON				
"	17 ASTON VILLA				
"	24 Bury				
Apr.	31 "				
"	7 Sheffield Utd.				
"	13 WOLVES				
"	14 Everton				
"	16 HUDDERSFIELD				
"	17 NOTTS. F.				
"	21 Manchester U.				
"	24 "				
"	28 "				
May	5 "				
"	12 "				

AWAY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	14	6	1	0	21	2	5	1	1	18	5	24
Everton	14	6	1	0	11	3	2	5	0	7	5	22
W.B.A.	14	4	2	1	17	6	4	2	1	12	7	20
Nottingham For.	14	3	4	0	9	5	3	4	0	9	4	20
Arsenal	14	4	3	0	15	6	3	1	3	9	8	18
Coventry City	14	4	3	0	13	7	2	2	3	6	12	17
Manchester City	14	3	2	2	12	9	2	4	1	11	8	16
Manchester Utd.	14	3	3	1	9	8	2	3	2	12	16	16
Aston Villa	14	1	4	2	7	9	4	1	2	12	4	15
Bristol City	14	3	2	2	13	11	3	1	3	6	6	15
Tottenham H.	14	3	2	2	9	10	2	3	2	8	15	15
Norwich City	14	3	3	1	16	10	0	4	3	11	17	13
Derby County	14	4	2	1	13	9	1	1	5	5	18	13
Leeds United	14	3	0	4	14	9	1	4	2	9	11	12
Middlesbrough	14	2	2	3	7	7	2	1	4	11	12	11
Southampton	14	2	4	1	11	10	0	3	4	5	11	11
Q.P.R.	14	2	4	2	5	6	1	1	4	6	11	11
Ipswich Town	14	2	0	5	5	9	2	2	3	9	11	10
BOLTON W.	14	3	3	1	13	10	0	1	6	6	20	10
Chelsea	14	1	1	4	9	17	1	3	4	8	12	8
Wolverhampton W.	14	3	0	4	7	12	0	0	7	4	18	6
Birmingham City	14	1	2	4	9	12	0	1	6	3	14	5

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

WANDERERS v NOTTINGHAM FOREST

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

RESERVES v BURY

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

team check

WANDERERS

Shirts: White

Shorts: Blue

1. McDONAGH, Jim
2. NICHOLSON, Peter
3. BURKE, David
4. GREAVES, Roy
5. WALSH, Mike
6. SMITH, Brian
7. MORGAN, Willie
8. REID, Peter
9. GOWLING, Alan
10. WORTHINGTON, Frank
11. McNAB, Neil

Sub:

WEST BROM.

Shirts: Navy Blue & White Stripes

Shorts: White

1. GODDEN, Tony
2. BATSON, Brendon
3. TREWICK, John
4. BROWN, Tony
5. WILE, John
6. ROBERTSON, Alistair
7. ROBSON, Bryan
8. BROWN, Ally
9. REGIS, Cyrille
10. CANTELLO, Len
11. CUNNINGHAM, Laurie

Sub.:

REFEREE:

K. S. HACKETT (Sheffield)

RED FLAG

J. CALLAGHAN (Liverpool)

LINESMAN

YELLOW FLAG

A. Jones (Eastham, Wirral)

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Half-time Scoreboard

A—Arsenal v. Everton
B—A. Villa v. Bristol C.
C—Chelsea v. Spurs
D—Derby v. Birmingham
E—Liverpool v. Man. City
F—Man. Utd. v. Ipswich
G—Middlesbro. v. Soton
H—Norwich v. Coventry
I—Notts Forest v. Q.P.R.
J—Wolves v. Leeds
K—
L—

M—Blackburn v. Notts Co.
N—Bristol R. v. Charlton
O—Burnley v. Fulham
P—Cambridge v. Leicester
Q—Luton v. Newcastle
R—Millwall v. Stoke
S—Oldham v. Cardiff
T—Sheffield Utd. v. Preston
U—Sunderland v. Brighton
V—West Ham v. C. Palace
W—Wrexham v. Orient
X—Gillingham v. Bury